

Appl. No. 10/089,901
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Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The invention relates to flexible straws that accompany packed fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. with one (or more) corrugated zone comprising ~~consisting of~~ re-entrant overlapping folds, which are ~~attached to the packaging of fruit juices, milks, coffees etc. and are permanently~~ continuously bent until their use in order to take up less space. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The corrugated zone of the new straw comprises ~~consists of~~ expanded re-entrant overlapping folds 2, 5 ~~that are not deformed by force~~ and contracted re-entrant overlapping folds 3, 4 interspersed among the expanded ones ~~so that not many consecutive expanded folds 2, 5 exist without interference of one 3 or more 4 contracted ones.~~ Further, a number of the first re-entrant overlapping folds 1 are contracted. --